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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1772

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hideyuki KIMURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1772

Application No.: 09/674,077

Examiner: M. Patterson

Filed: October 26, 2000

Docket No.: 107714

For: INSERTED-BONDED CYLINDRICAL ARTICLES, AND A MOLDING METHOD
AND A MOLDING APPARATUS THEREFOR TECHNICAL FIELD TO WHICH THE
INVENTION PERTAINS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the October 1, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-6, 12-14 and 21-23 are currently pending.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-2 and 21-22 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Japanese Patent No. 6246777 to Suzuki et al. (Suzuki). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, the mark is positioned at the inner surface of the cylindrical molded body while being inwardly apart from the upper end of the insert in an axial direction and at a position corresponding to a position on the inner surface that is covered by the insert.

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